

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Suspension or Revocation)
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of the Educator Certificate of)
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Flora Gramling)
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Certificate 111360)

**CONSENT ORDER OF
PUBLIC REPRIMAND**

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on April 12, 2006. On June 28, 2005, the State Department of Education (Department) sent notice of the possible suspension of her educator certificate to Flora Gramling by regular and certified mail, return receipt requested. Ms. Gramling requested a hearing but subsequently agreed, through legal counsel, to waive her right to a hearing and to accept a public reprimand. After considering the evidence presented by the Department, the State Board voted to issue a public reprimand to Ms. Gramling.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

Ms. Gramling holds a valid South Carolina certificate and has twenty-eight years of teaching experience. During the 2004-2005 school year, Ms. Gramling was assigned as a teacher at Richard Carroll Elementary School in Bamberg County School District One. Ms. Gramling resigned from her employment, effective May 27, 2005, following allegations that she engaged in inappropriate conduct toward students.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

"The State Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-150 (2004), S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-160 (2004); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58. Just cause includes unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2004). The Board finds that the evidence presented supports its conclusion that just cause exists for the issuance of a public reprimand to Ms. Gramling for unprofessional conduct. Accordingly, the Board issues this Consent Order of Public Reprimand, which shall be reported to all school districts in South Carolina and maintained as a public record in the Office of General Counsel.

South Carolina State Board of Education

/S/ Joe Isaac
Joe Isaac, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina
April 12, 2006

I, Flora Gramling, S.C. Educator Certificate 111360, do hereby agree to this Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the State Board of Education on April 12, 2006.

/S/ Flora Gramling _____ 3/6/06 _____
Flora Gramling Date